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**October 5, 2018**

**UCAB Quality of Life Committee Meeting**  
**Monday, October 15 7:00pm**  
**Kramer Upcounty Regional Services Center**  
**12900 Middlebrook Road, Germantown**

***Topic: Thriving Germantown***

*Guests: Crystal Carr-Townsend, Healthcare Initiative Foundation*  
*Scott Birdsong, Family Services, Inc.*

*All board and committee meetings are open to the public!*

*Sign language interpreter services will be provided only upon request with notice as far in advance as possible, but no less than 72 hours prior to the event. If these or other services or aids are needed to participate in this activity, please call 240-777-8040 or email a request to [catherine.matthews@montgomerycountymd.gov](mailto:catherine.matthews@montgomerycountymd.gov).*

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**Final Live Discussion with County Executive Ike Leggett**  
**Thursday, October 11 1:00pm-2:00pm**



County Executive Ike Leggett will hold his final interactive forum that allows residents in Montgomery County to send questions directly to [County Executive Isiah Leggett](#). You may submit questions anytime. Answered questions will be available at the beginning of the live session and selected questions will be answered during the scheduled discussion time. [Submit Your Question](#)

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**Montgomery County and Region Ranked 4<sup>th</sup> in Biopharma Centers in the Nation**

The BioHealth Capital Region, including Montgomery County, has been ranked #4 on the list of top US biopharma centers by Genetic Engineering & Biotechnology News (GEN). GEN ranks regions based on NIH funding, venture capital investment, patents, lab space and jobs in biotech. The BioHealth Capital Region's ranking is up from #5 in 2017. [See the whole list and learn more about the BioHealth Capital Region.](#)

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**Montgomery Council Seeks Applicants for County Board of Appeals**  
**(Deadline to Submit Applications is Wednesday, October 10 at 5:00pm)**

[https://www2.montgomerycountymd.gov/mcgportalapps/Press\\_Detail.aspx?Item\\_ID=22464](https://www2.montgomerycountymd.gov/mcgportalapps/Press_Detail.aspx?Item_ID=22464)

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**BUSINESS LEADERS ENGAGEMENT  
FORUM**  
How Hiring Formerly Incarcerated Job Seekers Benefits  
Your Company Information Session

**THURSDAY, OCTOBER 18, 2018 | 8:30AM – 10:00AM**  
**(CONTINENTAL BREAKFAST WILL BE PROVIDED)**  
22880 WHELAN LANE BOYDS, MD 20841

Today over 70 million Americans (1 in 3 adults) have criminal backgrounds



Today over 70 million Americans (1 in 3 adults) have criminal backgrounds. Through the efforts of the Montgomery County Department of Correction and Rehabilitation staff, hundreds of individuals have successfully reentered the labor market. Learn how your company can tap into this potential labor pool. Free, but individual registration is required. [Please register by October 5th.](#)

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**Public Meeting on The Germantown Plan for the Churchill Village Town Sector Zone**  
**Thursday, October 11 7:00pm – 8:30pm**  
**Kramer Upcounty Regional Services Center**  
**12900 Middlebrook Road, Germantown**

The [Montgomery County Planning Department](#), will hold a public meeting to begin a community dialogue about the Germantown Plan for the Town Sector Zone. The purpose of this sector plan is to analyze current land uses and densities and prepare new zoning recommendations to replace the Town-Sector (T-S) zoning.

The Germantown Plan for the Town Sector Zone will address the 1,254 acres comprising the current town sector (T-S) zone, which includes Churchill Lake, parks, walking trails and recreational amenities. In 2014, Montgomery County updated its zoning ordinance and, as a result, the T-S zone is being phased out.

Additionally, as approved by the original 1968 zoning case that authorized the development of Churchill Village, no new zoning classifications could be considered for 50 years. This zoning control feature expires in 2018 and is the primary reason for this sector plan. Planners will analyze existing land uses, densities, and open space in order to prepare new zoning recommendations that best reflect current conditions, uses and densities.

Anyone who lives or works in Churchill Village or has an interest in the future of this community is invited to attend the kickoff meeting. Planners will discuss existing conditions, land uses, zoning and the county planning process. Participants will have an opportunity to meet the project team, ask questions and learn how to participate in this planning process.

RSVPs are encouraged but not required. [RSVP for the Germantown Plan for the Town Sector Zone](#)

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**Books and Bulbs** is a free event where County residents bring their old lightbulbs and swap them for up to 3 LEDs and a reusable bag. Collect your old incandescent or CFL light bulbs and bring them to a Books and Bulbs event near you, and DEP will exchange them for **up to 3 new and energy efficient LEDs**. The ENERGY STAR®-certified LEDs we're giving away offer a warm white light that's equivalent to a 60-watt incandescent bulb.

Not only will you save money by getting free LEDs, but you'll also pocket money from lower electric bills. You could cut your utility bill by at least \$25 per year by replacing five traditional, incandescent bulbs with LEDs.

#### **Books and Bulbs Events**

- **Twinbrook Library:** Tuesday, October 2 from 5pm – 7pm
- **Connie Morella Library** in Bethesda: Wednesday, October 10 from 3pm – 5pm
- **Damascus Library:** Saturday, October 13 from 10:30 am – 12:30 pm
- **Maggie Nightingale Library** in Poolesville: Monday, October 15 from 4pm – 6pm
- **Marilyn J. Praisner Library** in Burtonsville: Thursday, October 18 from 5pm – 7pm
- **White Oak Library:** Saturday, October 27 from 12pm – 2pm

*The giveaway is a partnership between Department of Environmental Protection and the Montgomery County Public Libraries.*

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### **Montgomery County Human Rights Hall of Fame Call for Nominations**

Nominations are now open for the Montgomery County Human Rights Hall of Fame. Nominations should be individuals – either living or deceased – whose ongoing work, service and contributions have positively impacted human and civil rights in the County. More information and the nomination form is available [here](#).

**The nomination deadline is October 17.**

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### **Resources for Sexual Assault Victims and Survivors in Montgomery County**

Recently, much of the nation's attention has been focused on sexual assault, sexual harassment, reporting laws, and the impact sexual violence has on our society. The Montgomery County Commission for Women encourages victims and survivors of sexual assault, who are ready, to reach out for assistance. Your fear is normal, your assault was not.

Montgomery County has excellent resources to help victims, including the Victim Assistance and Sexual Assault Program. The Special Victims Investigations Division of the Montgomery County Police Department has a Sexual Assault Unit, which is highly trained, victim-centered, and also ready to assist as needed.

The Victim Assistance and Sexual Assault Program (VASAP) assists victims of crimes such as rape/sexual assault and provides crisis and ongoing counseling, information and referral, advocacy and support and compensation for victims of crimes committed in Montgomery County or crime victims who live in Montgomery County.

If you are (or know someone who is) a victim or survivor of sexual assault, please contact us directly at (240) 777-8333 or the resources below.

*The Commission was established under law in 1972. The mandate of the Commission is to advise the County Executive, the County Council, the public, and agencies of the county, state and federal governments on issues concerning women in Montgomery County. The Commission's primary focus is to improve women's lives through (1) Identifying inequities in laws, policies, practices and procedures and; (2) Providing recommendations that promote remedies.*

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## Hear the History of the Cider Barrel and Plans for Its Use

*a historic landmark and icon of Germantown*

**Saturday, October 13 3:30pm-4:30pm**

**Germantown Library, Room A**

**19840 Century Boulevard, Germantown**

The Germantown Historical Society's resident historian, Susan Soderberg, will present the history of the Cider Barrel and entrepreneur Laura Richman will put forth her plans for the future of this historic landmark and icon of Germantown.



Ever since it was constructed in 1926 the Cider Barrel has been a familiar sight for people driving on Frederick Road. Even though apples and cider are no longer sold there, this historic example of roadside novelty architecture has come to be identified with Germantown. It was built by Andrew Baker during prohibition to sell wholesome, non-alcoholic apple cider during prohibition, and became a favorite stopping place for people driving up from the city for a countryside tour. The cider, created from a number of different species of apples became famous, and so the roadside stand continued in popularity after prohibition was lifted. William Cross continued the tradition when he purchased the property in 1971 and his operation lasted until 2004 when the property was sold to Elm Street Development. A few failed attempts to sell apples and local produce at the store followed, and the building has been closed for the past ten years or so. Elm Street has made repairs and maintained the structure in accordance with its historic designation.

Entrepreneur Laura Richman is now taking on the project of bringing the Cider Barrel back to life and has plans to renovate the building and have it selling apples, cider and local produce once again.

This presentation will cover both the history and the future of Germantown's unique landmark.

*This event is sponsored by The Germantown Historical Society ([germantownmdhistory.org](http://germantownmdhistory.org)) and the Germantown Library.*

To learn more, visit [www.germantownMDhistory.org](http://www.germantownMDhistory.org)

To request sign language interpretation or other deaf/hard of hearing services for library sponsored programs, email [MCPL.DeafAccess@montgomerycountymd.gov](mailto:MCPL.DeafAccess@montgomerycountymd.gov), preferably with three business days' notice. To request other accommodations, contact your local library.

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## 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual Montgomery County "Villages" Gathering

**Monday, October 22 9:00am – 2:00pm**

**Bohrer Park Activity Center**

**506 S. Frederick Avenue, Gaithersburg**

Montgomery County residents who are interested in starting a village in their community are invited to attend a daylong conference featuring workshops and networking opportunities with leaders from over twenty different villages in the County. The Village Gathering is also open to all existing village leaders who seek to learn more about the various aspects of village operations: what village models exist, how to remain financially viable, how to grow membership, what services to offer and more.

*This conference is free, but registration is required as space is limited.*

For more information and to register, click on this link <https://bit.ly/2Ntmz1S> or contact [pazit.aviv@montgomerycountymd.gov](mailto:pazit.aviv@montgomerycountymd.gov)

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## **Council Introduced Bills to Ban Smoking in Outdoor Dining Areas, and Requiring Individuals Who Employ One or More Persons to Pay the County Minimum Wage**

- Bill 35-18, Health and Sanitation - Smoking- Outdoor Serving Areas would prohibit smoking in certain outdoor serving areas such as patios, decks or porches. The goal of this bill is to protect the health of residents. Councilmember Sidney Katz is the lead sponsor. Council President Hans Riemer and Councilmembers Marc Elrich and Craig Rice are cosponsors. **A public hearing is tentatively scheduled for October 23 at 1:30pm.** [View the Council staff report for Bill 35-18 here.](#)
- Bill 34-18, Human Rights and Civil Liberties - County Minimum Wage - Definitions - Employer would modify the definition of “employer” in the County’s minimum wage law, so that an individual who employs one person must pay the County’s minimum wage, which is \$12 per hour for employers with 50 employees or less and \$12.25 per hour for those with 51 or more employees. The bill does not change the rate of the minimum wage, nor does it change any of the scheduled increases under the existing law. The goal of the bill is to require payment of the County minimum wage to workers who are the sole employee of their employers and make the applicability of the County minimum wage consistent with the County Sick and Safe Leave law. Council President Hans Riemer is the lead sponsor. Councilmember Tom Hucker is a cosponsor. **A public hearing is tentatively scheduled for October 23 at 1:30pm.** [View the Council staff report for Bill 34-18 here.](#)

**Keep Up with the County Council!** - Sign up to receive notifications about Council legislation by visiting [https://apps.montgomerycountymd.gov/ccllims/bill\\_List.aspx](https://apps.montgomerycountymd.gov/ccllims/bill_List.aspx) and selecting the bill you would like to follow.

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### **County Offers Free Training on Naloxone; Medication Used to Reverse Effects of Opioid Overdose Tuesday, October 23 5:00pm-7:00pm Montgomery County Dept. of Health & Human Services 401 Hungerford Drive, Rockville**

Residents concerned about a friend or family member with an opioid addiction are invited to attend a free training to learn about reducing unintentional and life-threatening opioid overdoses with the use of Naloxone, a prescription medication that reverses the effects of an opioid overdose.

Participants who complete the training will receive a free Naloxone kit. Tips on overdose prevention and resources detailing local and national resources will be provided. The training is free, but registration is required. Register by email at Overdose Response [OverdoseResponseProgram@montgomerycountymd.gov](mailto:OverdoseResponseProgram@montgomerycountymd.gov) or call 240-777-1836.

Sign language interpreter services will be provided only upon request, with notice as far in advance as possible, but no less than three full business days’ notice, prior to the day of the event. To request sign language interpreter services or other accommodations to participate in this activity, please call Erin Fashion at 240-777-4538, MD Relay 711, or email [OverdoseResponseProgram@montgomerycountymd.gov](mailto:OverdoseResponseProgram@montgomerycountymd.gov).

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## Matching Mini-Grants Now Available for Neighborhood Projects or Events

Sometimes all that is keeping a wonderful neighborhood event from materializing is a relatively small amount of resources... Well, now there is a local source for that!

**The Neighborhood Events Matching Fund** was established by Montgomery County to encourage capacity building, neighborhood beautification, networking, and to stimulate the local economy. The maximum grant amount is \$1,000. Funds must be matched and the event must take place during this fiscal year – between now and June 30, 2018.

Applying is easy. [Download](#) the application form, complete it, and submit it to Catherine Matthews, Director for the county's Upcounty Region.

There is no deadline for application, but funding is limited. So, regardless of whether your project or event is next month or months away, apply now!

*See the [application](#) for more details and instructions.*

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## Maryland SoccerPlex Named Ultimate Venue for Soccer & Lacrosse

Congrats to the **Maryland SoccerPlex** in Boyds, who has been named an ultimate destination and venue for soccer and lacrosse by Sports Events magazine. The SoccerPlex has 24 fields and it is the setting for 11 soccer and lacrosse tournaments each year. The facility hosts approximately 650,000 people annually, and that generates an economic impact of over \$23 million for Montgomery County and the State of Maryland from out of town visitors. *Way to go!*

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## Montgomery Parks Deer Population Management Program September 2018-March 2019

The Montgomery County Deer Population Management Program runs September 2018 - through March 2019. The program, which is now in its 22<sup>nd</sup> year, addresses an overabundant deer population in many areas of the county. The overabundance of deer may result in deer-automobile accidents, excessive damage to the environment, private landscapes and agriculture, and increasing concerns over disease. Please find complete details about the program and schedules in the press release available at this [link](#) or <https://www.montgomeryparks.org/montgomery-parks-announces-2018-2019-annual-deer-population-management-operations-and-seasonal-park-closures>

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## Council Seeks Applicants for Grants Advisory Group

**(Application deadline is Nov. 2)**

[https://www2.montgomerycountymd.gov/mcgportalapps/Press\\_Detail.aspx?Item\\_ID=22479](https://www2.montgomerycountymd.gov/mcgportalapps/Press_Detail.aspx?Item_ID=22479)

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## Community Members Requested to Take Survey About National IPAWS Test

Montgomery County's Office of Emergency Management and Homeland Security is asking Montgomery County community members to take a survey regarding the October 3 national test of the federal Emergency Alerts System (EAS) and Wireless Emergency Alerts (WEA).

On Wednesday, October 3 beginning at approximately 2:18pm, the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA), in coordination with the Federal Communications Commission (FCC), conducted an Integrated Public Alert and Warning System (IPAWS) national test of the EAS and WEA.

The goal was to test a nationwide system that is critical to warning the public about dangerous weather, missing children, and other urgent situations.

This WEA survey is intended to assess the effectiveness of that test and better understand the current state of national preparedness. Individual responses and ratings collected through the assessment will be kept confidential and will never be shared publicly.

You can access the survey at: <https://www.surveymzmo.com/s3/4595149/IPAWS-Survey> .

Thank you for taking the time to assist in evaluation of the effectiveness of the IPAWS test.

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Voters may go to any early voting sites in Montgomery County and cast a ballot. Early voting results are tallied on Election Night, just like votes cast on Election Day.

- Thursday, October 25th to Thursday, November 1st, from 10:00am – 8:00pm.
- [Map of Early Voting Centers.](#)
- [Official Voter Guide and Sample Ballot.](#)
- [MD Board of Elections.](#)

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**For other news and meeting agendas, visit:**

**County Council** [http://www2.montgomerycountymd.gov/mcgportalapps/press\\_List.aspx?id=01](http://www2.montgomerycountymd.gov/mcgportalapps/press_List.aspx?id=01)

**Planning Board** [http://www.montgomeryplanning.org/departments/news\\_releases](http://www.montgomeryplanning.org/departments/news_releases)

**Also check out the latest from:**

Department of Public Libraries <http://www.montgomerycountymd.gov/library>

Department of Recreation <http://www6.montgomerycountymd.gov/rectmpl.asp?url=/content/rec/index.asp>

Department of Transportation <http://www.montgomerycountymd.gov/dot/index.html>

Department of Environmental Protection <http://www6.montgomerycountymd.gov/deatmpl.asp?url=/content/dep/dephome/index.asp>

Department of Permitting Services <http://permitting.montgomerycountymd.gov/DPS/general/Home.aspx>

Montgomery County Volunteer Center <http://www.montgomeryserves.org>

Office of Community Partnerships <http://archive.constantcontact.com/fs100/1102184431012/archive/1117215431562.html>

Commission for Women <http://www.montgomerycountymd.gov/cfw/index.html>

Parks Department <http://www.montgomeryparks.org>

Planning Department <http://montgomeryplanning.org>